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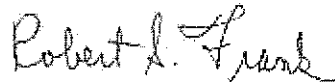
Re: Hospital and Health Care Provider Cooperation Act
Letter of Intent

Dear Commissioner Harvey:

This letter constitutes a letter of intent under the Hospital and Health Care Provider Cooperation Act, 22 M.R.S.A. § 1844(2). This letter will serve as notice to the Department, and to the state officials copied on this letter, of the parties' intent to file an application for the issuance of a Certificate of Public Advantage for their cooperative agreement. The parties to the cooperative agreement are two groups of cardiologists -- Maine Cardiology Associates and Cardiovascular Consultants of Maine -- and Maine Medical Partners, Inc, an affiliate of Maine Medical Center and MaineHealth, which are also parties to the agreement. Under this cooperative agreement, most or all of the cardiologists in these two groups will become employees of a MaineHealth physician practice affiliate, and their cardiology practices will be relocated into physician practice entities that are part of MaineHealth.

This letter of intent is submitted on behalf of all of the parties to the cooperative agreement.

Very truly yours,



Robert S. Frank

Cc:

Janet Mills, Attorney General, State of Maine (State House 6)
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